ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL: Phyllis J. Schwart

STATE BOARD MEETING DATE: August 27, 2007

SUBJECT: Consideration to receive \$500,000 award for the 2008 Refugee School Impact
Grant and to distribute \$411,106.50 to Local Education Agencies

SUBMITTED BY: Ralph Romero

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Arizona Department of Education receives from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), through Arizona Department of Economic Security, a grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 to provide support to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) in Pima and Maricopa Counties for the implementation of programs supporting school-age refugee children. Such programs must have been developed using scientifically based research. The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) will make sub grants, on a formula basis, to LEAs who submitted a refugee student count, on March 30, 2007, of at least one refugee student enrolled in their district or charter school. (See attached)

Continuation funding of the *Refugee Children School Impact Grant*, will allow school districts and charter schools to enhance existing services which have been built upon thorough evaluation, observation and assessment. Over the past years the following services have been addressed: English language proficiency, cultural adjustment, classes for parents that focus on ways to help their children keep pace with academic performance expectation, after school tutoring programs, summer school programs, and staff development.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: [] INFORMATION [X] ACTION/DESCRIBED BELOW

Request that the State Board of Education approve receipt of an award of \$500,000 pursuant to \$15-206, and ARS 15-207, from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) through Arizona Department of Economic Security and authorize awards to LEAs in the amount of \$411,106.50 and expenditures in accordance with the terms of the award.

ATTACHMENTS: YES[X]NO[]

FY 2008 Refugee Children School Impact Grant Awardees

Academy of Math and Science, Inc.	\$2,511.00
Alhambra Elementary District	\$24,970.50
Amphitheater Unified District	\$8,091.00
Balsz Elementary District	\$28,179.00
Buckeye Union High School District	\$1,816.87
Chandler Unified School District	\$279.00
Creighton Elementary District	\$1674.00
Deer Valley Unified District	\$8,091.00
Dysart Unified District	\$2,511.00
Glendale Elementary District	\$15,624.00
Glendale Union High School District	\$28,597.50
Integrity Education Corporation	\$558.00
Isaac Elementary District	\$4,185.00
Kyrene Elementary School District	\$6,696.00
Maricopa County Community College District Governi	\$976.50
Maricopa County Regional District	\$418.50
Ocotillo Public Charter High School	\$279.00
Osborn Elementary District	\$14,787.00
Paradise Valley Unified District	\$28,179.00
Peoria Unified School District	\$11,299.50
Pendergast Elementary District	\$837.00
Phoenix Elementary School District	\$5,440.50
Phoenix Union High School District	\$23,017.50
Pima County Board of Supervisors	\$1,953.00
Roosevelt Elementary District	\$139.50
Scottsdale Unified District	\$37,246.50
Summit Public Charter High School	\$1,116.00
Sunnyside Unified District	\$279.00
Tanque Verde Unified District	\$139.50
Tempe School District	\$23,157.00
Tolleson Elementary District	\$139.50
Tucson Unified District	\$81,866.50
Twenty First Century Charter School, Inc. DBA Ben	\$279.00
Twenty First Century Charter Schools, Inc.	\$139.50
Vicki A. Romero High School	\$165.17
Washington Elementary School District	\$45,756.00
Wilson Elementary District	\$1,674.00

Total \$411,106.50